FY 2009 Capital Budget TPS Report 49075

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)

Grant Recipient: Anchorage

Project Title:

Anchorage - Kincaid Elementary School - New Audio Systems for Classrooms

State Funding Requested: \$ 27,000 House District: 27 - N

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Purchase and installation of classroom sound field systems to enhance auditory signals from the teacher (e.g. directions, classroom instruction, etc). Sound field systems include a microphone worn by the teacher and speakers placed around the classroom to amplify the teacher's voice.

Funding Plan:

Total Cost of Project: \$27,000

<u>Funding Secured</u> <u>Other Pending Requests</u> <u>Anticipated Future Need</u>

Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

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Project Timeline:

Equipment will be purchased and installed when funds become available. FY 09

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Anchorage School District

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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| Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is | it a community priority? X Yes No |
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